

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 5, please replace the paragraph that starts on line 24 with the following amended paragraph:

The first and second sections 22, 24 each contain an array with two rows of receptacles 30, and each row preferably includes seven receptacles 30. Each receptacle 30 corresponds to a particular tooth in the patient's oral cavity. In particular, and with reference to Figs. 1 and 2, the first section 22 includes an upper row of receptacles 30 for receiving appliances for each tooth of the patient's upper right area or quadrant, extending from the upper right second molar to the upper right central incisor. The first section 22 also includes a lower row of seven receptacles 30 corresponding to the teeth of the patient's lower right area or quadrant, extending from the patient's lower right second molar tooth to the patient's lower right central incisor tooth. Likewise, the second section 24 includes an upper row of seven receptacles 30 to receive appliances for each tooth of the patient's upper left dental area or quadrant, extending from the upper second left molar tooth to the upper left central incisor. The second section 24 also includes a lower row of receptacles 30 to receive appliances for the patient's lower left dental area or quadrant, extending from the lower second left molar tooth to the lower left central incisor tooth.

On page 13, please replace the paragraph that starts on line 1 with the following amended paragraph:

The container 36e is opened by lifting the dome-shaped member 74e through the space between the projections 80e and in a direction away from the support 72e. As the member 74e is lifted, the member 74e detaches from the support 72e to expose the appliance within the

container 36e. Optionally, the container 36e may be constructed so that the member 74e completely detaches from the support 72e as the member 74e is lifted. As another option, one end of the member 74e (such as the end adjacent the end portion 82e) may be connected to the support 72e by a hinged arrangement such as a line of weakness similar to the line of weakness 51 illustrated in Fig. 6.

On page 13, please replace the paragraph that starts on line 19 with the following amended paragraph:

As another option, the tray (such as tray 20d) may be provided with means for releasably connecting to appliances that are not received in containers. For example, each of the receptacles may be in the shape of a well with a pressure sensitive adhesive extending along the bottom of each well. Optionally, each section of the tray may include an upper layer having a series of apertures representing the receptacles, an intermediate film layer that is coated along one side with a pressure sensitive adhesive or covered with a foam tape, and a bottom layer having a smooth flat upper surface. In this example, the appliances are preferably not coated in advance with an orthodontic bonding adhesive, but instead receive the bonding adhesive once the practitioner has lifted the appliance from the adhesive film.